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For: ANTI-OZF PROTEIN MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES AND THEIR
APPLICATIONS IN THE DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC FIELD**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the application as follows:

Please amend the specification as shown:

Please delete the paragraph starting at page 19, paragraph 3, lines 21-34 and replace it with the following paragraph:

FIGURE 8. Comparison of the N-terminal amino acid sequences of the OZF proteins according to their origin and their reactivity with the monoclonal antibodies. Comparison of the N-terminal region of two alleles of the human OZF protein (SEQ ID NOS: 3 and 4, respectively in order of appearance) (hu-OZF) which differ by a polymorphism at position 8 (K/R) with the OZF protein of murine (SEQ ID NO:6) (mu-OZF) and bovine (SEQ ID NO:5) (bo-OZF) origin. The sequence of the synthetic peptide (SEQ ID NO:1) used in the competitive inhibition experiments is indicated above (PEPTIDE). The tyrosine residue at position 10 is underlined. The sequence of the carrier protein MBP is indicated in small upper case letters for the MBP-OZF protein (SEQ ID NO:2). The H/C consensus link ("H/C link") precede the first zinc finger corresponds to position 11-17.